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SUBJ: LOPEZ SEEKS INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT FOR PROPOSAL
ON TERRORISM

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1. AT THE TRADITIONAL NEW YEAR'S CALL ON THE PRESIDENT
BY THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS ON JANUARY 23, THE HIGHLIGHT
OF PRESIDENT LOPEZ'S SPEECH WAS A REQUEST FOR SUPPORT OF
A COLOMBIAN-VENEZUELAN RESOLUTION ON TERRORISM.
THE FOLLOWING IS AN UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF THE PERTINENT
PORTION OF THE SPEECH:

2. "HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT OF VENEZUELA AND
I PROPOSE TO PRESENT, FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE ORDINARY
SESSION OF THE UNGA, A RESOLUTION, SPONSORED BY OUR TWO
COUNTRIES AND BY ALL OTHERS WHICH MAY WISH TO SECOND IT,
DESIGN TO ERADICATE TERRORISM THROUGH COOPERATION BY ALL
MEMBER STATES OF THE ORGANIZATION WHICH CONDEMN
TERRORIST ACTS. WITHIN THE CIVILIZED CONCEPT OF HUMAN DIGNITY
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THERE IS NOTHING SO ABOMINABLE AS THE SACRIFICE OF

INNOCENT THIRD PARTIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTORTING
GOVERNMENTS. IT IS CERTAIN THAT, IN OUR TIME,
MINORITY FACTIONS HAVE TAKEN TO THIS TACTING WITH A
VIOLENCE WITHOUT EQUAL, KIDNAPPING PEOPLE AND PLACING
BOMBS TO OBLIGATE STATES TO CEDE TO THEIR FORCEFUL
DEMANDS. BUT, WE DO NOT DOUBT THAT REASON WILL DO AWAY
WITH SUCH ACTS. A GRAND INTERNATIONAL CRUSADE, SUPPORTED
BY THOSE COUNTRIES NOT CONNECTED WITH THE BELLIGERARY
OF THE VARIOUS CAUSES AND WHICH UNDERSTAND THAT ALL FORMS
OF CONFRONTATION ARE LEGITIMATE EXCEPT THOSE WHICH
SELECT WOMEN AND CHILDREN AS THEIR VICTIMS, CAN BE
THE POINT OF DEPARTURE IN A RETURN TO WHAT WAS ALWAYS
CONSIDERED TO BE THE STANDARD OR MODEL OF A CIVILIZED SOCIETY.
I HOPE THAT THE GOVERNMENT HERE REPRESENTED WILL
SUPPORT.; WITHIN THE VEHICLE OF THE UNITED NATIONS, THIS
COLLECTIVE ASPIRATION WHICH RESPONDS TO A DEEP DESIRE OF
ALL LOVERS OF PEACE".

3. EMBASSY IS FURNISHING FULL SPANISH TEXT OF LOPEZ'S
SPEECH TO ARA/NC.
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